IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read:

- 1-16. (currently cancelled)
- 17. (currently added) A cosmetic resin composition consisting essentially of an amphoteric urethane resin having a carboxyl group and a tertiary amino group in one molecule thereof, the amphoteric urethane resin having polysiloxane linkage in its structure, wherein the amphoteric urethane resin is obtained by reacting the following components (A) to (D) in excess of isocyanate groups so as to produce a prepolymer containing isocyanate groups and reacting the prepolymer with the following component (E);
 - (A) a polyol compound;
 - (B) a polyisocyanate compound;
 - (C) a polysiloxane compound having an active hydrogen;
 - (D) a compound having an active hydrogen and a carboxyl group;
 - (E) a compound having an active hydrogen and a tertiary amino group.
- 18. (currently added) A cosmetic resin composition consisting essentially of an amphoteric urethane resin having a carboxyl group and a tertiary amino group in one molecule thereof, the amphoteric urethane resin having polysiloxane linkage in its structure, wherein the amphoteric urethane resin is obtained by reacting the following components (A), (B), (C), and (E) in excess of isocyanate groups so as to produce a prepolymer containing isocyanate groups and reacting the prepolymer with the following component (D);
 - (A) a polyol compound;
 - (B) a polyisocyanate compound;
 - (C) a polysiloxane compound having an active hydrogen;
 - (D) a compound having an active hydrogen and a carboxyl group;
- (E) a compound having an active hydrogen and a tertiary amino group.
- 19. (currently added)) The cosmetic resin composition according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the cosmetic resin composition is for a hair fixative.

- 20. (currently added) The cosmetic resin composition according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the amphoteric urethane resin is dispersed or solubilized into water.
- 21. (currently added) A cosmetic using the cosmetic resin composition according to claim 1 or 2.
- 22. (currently amended) The cosmetic according to claim 21, wherein the cosmetic is at least one selected from the group consisting of a mousse hair fixative, a gel hair fixative, a spray hair fixative, a pump spray hair fixative, a conditioning shaving cream agent and a film forming agent.
- 23. (currently added) The cosmetic resin composition according to claim 3, wherein the amphoteric urethane resin is dispersed or solubilized into water.
- 24. (currently added) A cosmetic using the cosmetic resin composition according to claim 20.

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-16 were pending.

Claims 1-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Kim100 (WO 99/58100).

Claims 1-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Kim588 (WO 00/12588).

The application was objected to for lack of an abstract.

Claims 1-16 have been cancelled.

New claims 17-24 have been added.

New claims 17-24 are presented for reconsideration.